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Intramural basketball offers students a way to get active

BY BRENDEN HOLLING

A program that Northwest offers its students is Intramural Basketball, but most students have adopted the name IBA, which for Intramural Basketball Association. It is for all students (boys and girls) that do not play basketball for a winter sport and is sponsored by math teacher Timothy Koehn. This year, 34 students of all grades joined to form five teams headed by senior captains Mitch Fisher, Mitch Canfield, Brenden Holling, Colin Williams, and Arthan Bhatt. These captains are randomly selected by Koehn and they draft their teams from the remaining players. This year, games start at 7:00 on Friday mornings. These games are played in the new gym with two 20-minute halves. Players keep score themselves and call their own fouls.

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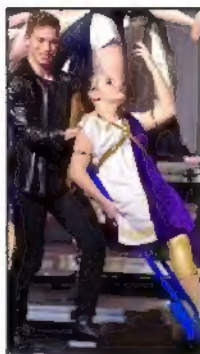
Senior Mitch Fisher shoots during an IBA game.

PHOTO BY CELESTE THOMPSON

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Turning the temperature up on fake news

Fake News

ABCnews.com.co
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American News

False information published under the guise of being real news.

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A form of parody news meant to entertain.

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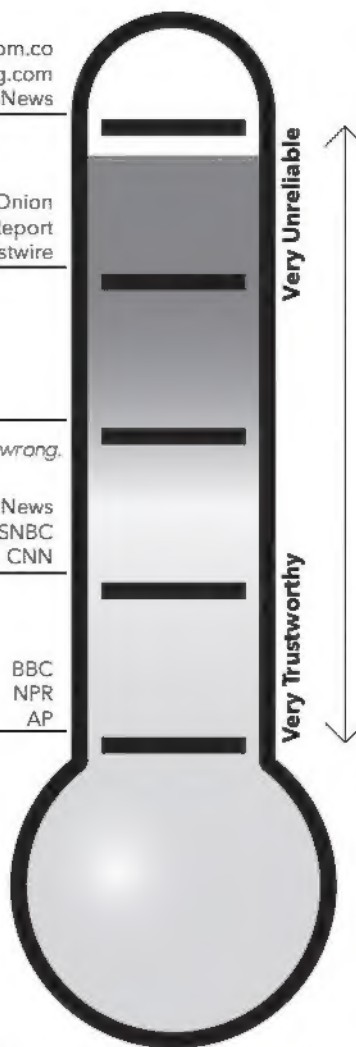
Fox News
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News reporters giving their views and opinions on a matter.

Real News

BBC
NPR
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A report of recent or unknown events.



How to tell the difference between fake and real news

Who wrote it?

Real news contains the byline of a real journalist. Fake news does not. Once you find the byline, look at the writer's bio. This can help you identify whether the item you're reading is a reported news article, a persuasive opinion piece, or something else entirely.

What claims does it make?

Real news will include multiple primary sources when discussing a controversial claim. Fake news may include fake sources, false URLs, and/or "alternative facts" that can be disproven through further research. When in doubt, dig deeper. Facts can be verified.

When was it published?

Look at the publication date. If it's breaking news, be extra careful.

Where was it published?

Real news is published by trustworthy media outlets with a strong fact checking records. If you get your news primarily via social media, try to verify that the information is accurate before you share it. (On Twitter you might look for the blue "verified" checkmark next to a media outlet.)

How does it make you feel?

Fake news is designed to make you feel strong emotions. So, if you read a news item that makes you feel extremely angry, pause and take a deep breath. Then, double check the item's claims by comparing it to the news on any three of the media outlets listed above – and decide for yourself if the item is real news or fake news.

Bottom line?

Don't believe everything you read.

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Chapman parents' efforts pay off: school converted to K-5

BY EFFY WIDDIFIELD

On January 9, the Northwest school board held a meeting with intentions of either ratifying or rescinding the December vote to close Chapman School. The vote was tied 3-3, and Chapman parents saw that as a reason why the decision should be considered invalid.

This group of parents, forming the Save Chapman Committee, filed a complaint with Nebraska Attorney General Doug Peterson, claiming that the Northwest board did not comply with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. They believe no notice was given that a vote would be taken to close any Northwest school.

The group brought media attention with an open house, and put in many hours contacting parents who might pledge to send their children to Chapman school. The group was told directly by Matt Fisher that if 30 students were recruited, the board would reconsider their decision to close the school.

On February 6, the Save Chapman committee held a public meeting at The Grand Theater in Grand Island. The meeting opened with news of successful recruiting efforts reported by Amy Lynch and other moms. The village of Chapman expressed hope that the board would take notice of their successful recruiting efforts.

Topics of funding, how Northwest advertises the high school but not their feeder schools, and how rural patrons of the Northwest district feel a nine-member board would serve everyone better and eliminate future situations of deadlocked votes, were discussed for the remainder of the meeting. However, the overreaching message was one of unity for all district patrons.

"Our district was created for rural education; I think it's important to remember that. Like I said, it's not just an issue that we have at Chapman it's St. Libory, Cedar Hollow, 1R. All these schools are affected. It all deals with rural education, and that's why we wanted

to bring together a group of district parents from the other schools and reach out to them," Chapman and Northwest graduate Matt Hudnall said.

The "final" fate of Chapman was decided on February 13 at 9:30 pm. The Save Chapman group presented numerical data to the board on how much money the district would receive for each option student pledged. With more than 30 students committed, the cost-per-pupil will reduce to \$8,333 from \$15,475.

Board members considered using the school only for special education, but an alternative motion was put forward for Chapman to be converted into a K-5 school. This motion was passed at 4-2 and Chapman will be converted to a K-5 attendance center – under the condition that enrollment in lower grades continue to meet a quota over the coming years.

The decision also finalized that the Northwest district will receive a "true" middle school, serving grades 6-8.

Show choir students strive for improvement

BY CELESTE THOMPSON

Northwest's choir program is offering up a lot of talent this year with a new all-male show choir, a themed show for the varsity choir, and new and exciting music for the junior varsity choir. The students are almost through their show choir season, ending with the show choir invitational at the neighboring school, Grand Island Senior High.

Most student's goals this year involve with improving as a group instead of mainly individual improvements.

"Bella Voce is doing alright as a group, but I think we can improve our skills as a team. I feel like we need more practices, but so far so good," senior Giovanna Lopez said.

The members performing their best and having fun is a major factor during competition season.

"I think we all have been giving 100 percent so far, we've been trying our best as a whole. We've tried really hard to stay positive and keep an open mind during the season," senior Miranda Kemery said.

The varsity show choir, 14 Karat Gold, has had three major competitions so far. Their first competition was called Midwest Cup at the Lied Center for Performing Arts in Lincoln and they earned 7th place. Their second competition was in Omaha at Omaha Westside High School where they won an award for best costumes. Their latest competition, which is the third competition they have attended, was in Elkhorn at Elkhorn High School. They made finals at Elkhorn and received 5th place.

14 Karat and the Doods attended the annual Harrisonville competition in Harrisonville,

Missouri. The Doods made finals alongside 14 Karat, which had never happened at any competition before. They got fifth place after finals and 14 Karat recieved second place. At the awards ceremony, the show band recieved an award for being the best show band. Senior Addie Dupler recieved an award for best female soloist for her solo in 14 Karat's ballad, "Once Upon A Time."

The all male show choir, the Doods, go to each competition that 14 Karat attends. Bella Voce and the Doods went alongside 14 Karat to Omaha Westside, and the Doods earned third place in the unisex division and Bella Voce did not place in the prep division. The Doods received second placed at their latest competition in Elkhorn.

Improvement has been a recurring theme and it is every season for the students. Hard work and practice has paid off.

"It feels good just knowing that we have worked really hard to be better and I think we are doing really well. Our hard work shows that we want to be there and I think that is what will make us better," junior Wyatt Stueven said.



14 Karat Gold at Elkhorn Red Carpet Classic competition.
PHOTO COURTESY OF NIKI SEMM MOWREY

Student organization grows with new projects

BY PAIGE SHUBERT

"We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope. For we have the clear consciousness of seeking old and precious values," states the FCCLA motto.

The Northwest chapter of FCCLA has been growing and focusing its efforts on the organization's goals.

"As a chapter at Northwest we try and get people involved with their families and educate them about future careers," FCCLA Vice-President senior Saebyrnnne McCarville said.

As one of its most recent

activities, FCCLA has been hosting a culinary camp. They have been trying to get from kindergarten through fourth grade involved with the program to help them learn basic cooking skills.

"The culinary camps are for us to teach, lead, and allow young students to learn new things in the kitchen," FCCLA President senior Meghan O'Brien said.

FCCLA students have chosen fun and creative activities for each event during the camp.

"We have had a pancake day where the kids come in and make pancake art. Our next day was cookies. We taught kids how to make the dough, and frosting. Then we let the kids decorate the cookies they helped make. And our final day of culinary camp is

cupcake day. We will help the kids make, bake and frost cupcakes. Also on that day, we will make homemade ice cream to go along with the cupcakes," O'Brien said.

Students of FCCLA have an upcoming event in Lincoln this March.

"We will be gone for about three days. We present Star events if we completed one. Also, we go throughout Lincoln to museums, zoos, and community centers to learn how things are operated and seek potential job ideas," O'Brien said.

FCCLA is more than a club to many people.

"I joined FCCLA because I wanted to be a part of something where I wasn't just a member in the background, to be a helpful

and active member in the group," McCarville said.

FCCLA helps build leadership and makes for a good learning experience.

"I joined FCCLA, because it was something I could do to help the community, and help others on how we can teach the future generations of children. Plus, I like cooking, learning about kids and being with kids, and meeting new friends," O'Brien said.

Students that seek to join a club or would like to get involved with their community can check out FCCLA.

"FCCLA is a good learning group that helps students get involved with their community and future generations of children," O'Brien said.

Crafts for a cause

Northwest National Honor Society contributes to the community from young to old with a few crayons and some bottles of glue

BY LACE NELSON

Around Valentine's day, some spend time with their significant others and others use the holiday as an excuse to eat chocolate, but the Northwest National Honor Society makes valentines with elementary students from Cedar Hollow and 1R. During preparation, members of NHS were excited about the upcoming event.

"I am really looking forward to it. I think it will be a lot of fun to hang out with some of the younger kids in the district for a couple of hours," Senior Madison Beran said.

Beran wasn't the only member who was excited to be participating. Senior Ashley Kenyon agreed that it was certain to be a great day.

"It will be a fun experience for the kids involved, because who doesn't like making valentines?" Kenyon said.

But, the involvement in the community doesn't end there. After the valentines are made, they are sent to veterans and nursing homes.

"I think that this is a great service project. It [is] a good experience for [the recipients] as well as the children," Kenyon said.

Some NHS members note that this is a good opportunity to represent the specific values of National Honor Society--all while having a great time.

"This is an opportunity for us to give back, specifically to our Northwest community. It [is] a great way to display service and leadership, which are two of the four pillars that NHS stands for. I think it is a great idea! It is such a simple way to give back to the community while still having a fun time," Beran said.



Junior Katie Springer helps elementary students make valentines.

PHOTO COURTESY OF KENZIE MOLLRING

Overall, most students agree that IBA is well worth joining.

"It's a great opportunity to get to know some people, get involved, and exercise," Fisher said.

Koehn concurs that it is beneficial for students to sign up for IBA.

"Also, IBA provides students the opportunity to participate in a sport without the time commitment of varsity athletics," Koehn said.

Bhatt, who is a two time champion of IBA, likes the competitive nature of the program.

"My favorite part about IBA, aside from winning two IBA championships, is playing against my friends and all the trash talking before and after games. It's a lot of fun and very competitive," Bhatt said.

IBA wouldn't be complete without some friendly, competitive trash talk.

"IBA is lit and is more competitive than actual sports because we get some pre-game trash talk going. IBA is about having fun, but more importantly, it is about winning! Unless you

are Colin Williams and you are sad because you are bad at basketball," Fisher joked.

Although there is a general concern among upperclassmen about IBA not being around much longer, since 25 of the 34 students that joined were juniors or seniors, Koehn doesn't see the demise of the program coming any time soon.

"I don't see IBA ending. Juniors and seniors usually have more numbers than freshmen and sophomores. One reason is because we play before school. It's difficult for some students, not old enough to drive yet, to get here," Koehn said.

With all the competitiveness that the students show, Koehn wants to remind students that IBA is a program for having a good time.

"Students should join IBA for the physical benefits and to learn teamwork. Most importantly, they should join to have fun," Koehn said.



Sophomore Adam Cooper throws a pass over defenders.

PHOTO BY CELESTE THOMPSON

SIGNED ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT

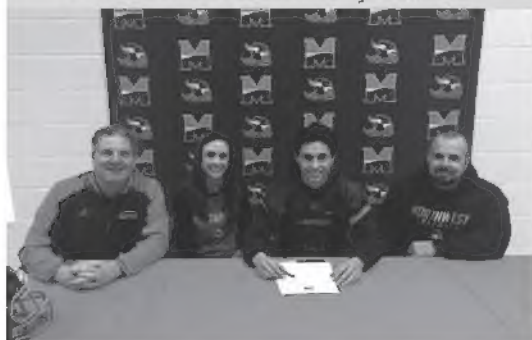
JADYN RODENBAUGH

Position: Wide Receiver

College of commitment:
Midland University in Fremont.

What made you decide to go to the college you signed with? "I chose to go to Midland because for the career that I am going into (secondary education), Midland has a great reputation. I never chose a school because of football; I chose a school that was going to help me develop as a man and as a future teacher.

Football only lasts for a little bit:
I'll need my career to last the rest of my life.
Football came dead last in my decision."



DALTON WIGHT

Position: Defensive Back

College of commitment: Doane College in Crete.

What made you decide to go to the college you signed with? "I signed with Doane because it felt like the right fit. I could see myself living there for the next four years."

What are you most looking forward to in college? "I am looking forward to being somewhat on my own and getting used to that. I am also looking forward to playing two sports again in college."



CHEVY STOUT

Position: Outside Linebacker

College of Commitment: Concordia University in Seward.

What made you decide to go to the college you signed with? "Choosing a college really came down to which one fit me best. Concordia just had the community and atmosphere I felt the most comfortable in."

What are you most looking forward to in college? "I'm really looking forward to playing football. I am also really looking forward to meeting new people and kind of 'exploring' a new world."



Technology

A helpful tool or a procrastination weapon?

Are you and technology in an abusive relationship?

BY EMILY BROADWELL

Technology has affected almost everyone. According to the student poll, over two thirds [72.5%] of the school spends 4+ hours on technology in a day. The remaining third, [35.2%] spends 6+ hours on technology.

"A person, not just students, but people usually spend four to eight hours on a monitor of some sort. Healthwise that tends to put a strain on the eyes," technology coordinator Scott Potter said.

The amount of hours teenagers spend on technology is borderline addiction. Students are so used to having their phone around, that not having it could cause a panic attack.

According to PC Advisor columnist Simon Jary, "Like other addictions, screen time creates significant changes in brain

chemistry--most notably, in the release of dopamine. This neurotransmitter--also known as the pleasure chemical--is central to addictions from sugar to cocaine."

Time is not the only unsafe thing about technology. The internet has no boundaries and is full of scams, predators, and illegal websites. With great power comes great responsibility.

"It's just like anything -- a tractor or a car -- everything can be dangerous unless you use it properly," technology coordinator Brian Gibson said.

Technology has some physical dangers as well. The most obvious danger is not getting enough exercise or movement, causing obesity. Other dangers include isolation, lack of social skills, addiction, depression, and sleep disorders.

According to otolaryngology surgeon David Volpi, "Heavy cell phone use showed an increase in sleep disorders in men and an increase in depressive symptoms in both men and women. Regular, late night computer use was associated with sleep disorders, stress and depressive symptoms in both men and women."

Technology can also grab one's attention from more important matters.

"With today's technology... the [less] amount of things people do and pay attention to, like walking and reading a text, you could walk out into the street not paying attention and get hit," Potter said.

Technology is one of the most used tools today but some say it is also one of the most dangerous. Experts stress that it is important to use technology safely and healthily.

Technology at Northwest

BY PAIGE SHUBERT

Technology is everywhere: it's with most people the moment they wake up to the moment they fall asleep. Many find it near impossible to imagine a day without technology.

Technology has made its way not only to the homes of practically every American, but into classrooms as well.

Some wonder how far is too far, and whether or not technology a good tool to give students, or just a bit too excessive.

"I look at [technology] as being a positive thing... It can be a great learning tool. If teachers know what they want the students to learn/use it for. [Technology] can be great for research, writing papers, ect. But it can also be abused," technology coordinator Scott Potter said.

Students are given Chromebooks as a learning tool, but some say having access to the web might be too tempting for some students.

"I [see] the abused part of technology. [And] the fact that instead of the student doing what they are supposed to do for the class, they are off on a different tangent," Potter said.

Students tend to get distracted while using technology due to the endless possibilities of the web.

"I've seen kids watching videos or movies, then complain about being down in a class. It's just a missed opportunity," Gibson said.

Although students can struggle at times to stay off of Pinterest or Twitter, teachers and students are getting used to keyboards versus pen and paper.

"You can't close the blinds on technology forever. We want to try to educate properly and that's what this is all about. The students have done huge improvements; it's all about time management and digital citizenship," Gibson said.

No matter where one goes or what one does in their future, technology will always be there.

"It's unavoidable now: you can't avoid technology. It's always going to be with us forever in some way, so we might as well embrace it, and use it in the right way," Gibson said.

What social media apps do you use most often?*



*Out of 153 responses

Third City on third expansion

BY KATIE SMALLWOOD

In 1967, 23 people signed the charter for Third City Christian Church. Now, 50 years later, the church is still around. The church, which is growing steadily, celebrated their 50th anniversary during the month of February. Third City began in the home of a couple in Grand Island and slowly evolved to the community it is today.

"Third City started meeting in the home of Mary and Oral Harmon, which are my parents, on North Locust St. in Grand Island, Nebraska. They grew to where they started to meet at the YWCA. They got enough money together to build a small building out at O'Flanagan Street at the intersection of Highway 2 and Highway 281, which is now owned by the Boy Scouts of America Overland Trails Council. Subsequently after their initial build, then they added on because they continued to grow. In 2001, we built the new building out at 4100 West 13th in Grand Island. We've now completed the third addition to that building," elder Ray Harmon said.

Third City started as a small church and steadily accepted new members which prompted them to expand.

"The first building was around 19,000 sq. feet, the second addition was around 20,000 sq. feet, and the current addition that we just finished is also

around 20-21,000 sq. feet. So we're looking at about 60,000 sq. feet that now comprises Third City Christian Church," Harmon said.

Harmon has been a member of Third City Christian Church since 1986 and is very involved.

"I'm a member of Third City Christian Church and I'm also an elder. The board of elders is the governing body of Third City Christian Church, and it's stated in the Bible that the church is overseen by the elders," Harmon said.

The 23 original members who began Third City wanted to leave a legacy for their children and future citizens of Grand Island.

"They wanted an Independent Christian Church. The christian church on 13th and Custer, that is a Disciples of Christ Christian Church. They actually answer to a higher governing body of Disciples of Christ Christian Churches. And the Independent Christian Church is exactly what it says, it's independent. We decide how our money that's given by the members and attendees, we decide how that is going to be spent. We have committees that are structured to execute missionary activities to support them but that's why Third City was started, because those people that started the church had previous backgrounds belonging to Independent Christian Churches," Harmon said.

Third City hopes to continue their service for many years to come.



Above- Third City's first building, built in 2001
Below- Third City's third addition, built in 2017

Both photos courtesy of Third City.



Want To Be A Lifeguard?

The City of Grand Island is accepting applications for summer lifeguards!

- New lifeguards must take a lifeguard class. For class information, contact Parks & Rec office at (308) 385-5444 ext. 290.
- All new lifeguards start at \$9.50 per hour & will be reimbursed for the cost of the lifeguard class!
- To apply, visit www.grand-island.com/seasonaljobs.

Granny's clothes benefit those in GI community

By KRISTAL O'BRIEN

One Grand Island resident has been helping others for years, but many people are unaware of the impact she has made. Granny's Closet was founded by Luella Boeckel over 15 years ago in 2001.

Luella's organization, which started in her home basement, has now expanded to Northridge church. The upstairs storage at Northridge is over half-full of things for Granny's closet. Granny's Closet helps over 50 people a year, and this means that Luella has helped over 750 people during the last 15 years.

"I want people to take more than one

outfit; I encourage that. I love when they go home with a few bags full," Boeckel said.

These services are completely free and available anyone in need. Clothing is not the only thing they have to give -- they provide other necessities to those in need. The organization is open before or after church services, and appointments are required.

Boeckel started the project because she enjoys clothes, likes to mend them, and loves fixing them. But most of all, she likes helping people.

As stated on their Facebook page, "We provide clothing for families struggling financially, or [who] may have had a loss due to a fire or other traumatic events."

Boeckel is now retired after living a full

life. She led Sunday school for 65 years while teaching 4th and 5th graders. Outside of teaching, she made pillows and pillow cases to give to the children she taught. Before giving the kids the pillows and the pillow cases, she would say a quick prayer over them. She also extended blankets for taller people.

"I know how it is to be going to bed and having your feet stick out," Boeckel said.

Boeckel has been rewarded by her organization in more ways than she expected.

"Realizing you can help someone in a very small way -- even a pair of shoes on their feet -- you realize you can help people in ways that are not money. I give out encouragement; I try to encourage them. I also pray with them," Boeckel said.

CAPRICORN

22 DECEMBER - 20 JANUARY

This month you learn how to do something new. You might learn how to play a musical instrument or take up a new hobby.

AQUARIUS

21 JANUARY - 19 FEBRUARY

You will try to manage your money and budget aspects of your life this month. You will need to watch your health this month. Cold symptoms might appear soon.

PISCES

20 FEBRUARY - 20 MARCH

This month, you will take control of your own life and find the power you have inside of you. You will strive for greatness and set goals for a successful future.

ARIES

21 MARCH - 19 APRIL

This month you will not hold back and hide your abilities. Being outgoing in certain situations will be very beneficial to your self-esteem and will help you later on.

TAURUS

20 APRIL - 20 MAY

This month you will do something you've never done before: something spontaneous and surprisingly fun. You will also start fixing problems from the past.

GEMINI

21 MAY - 21 JUNE

You will excel in an academic or scholarly way this month. Your major focus will be how others see you and what your status in the world is.

CANCER

22 JUNE - 23 JULY

Expressing your opinion this month will put you in a bad position with a friend. They will have different views than you on something and that will cause tension.

LEO

24 JULY - 23 AUGUST

This month you will become very dependent on a close friend and they will help you through a rough patch in your life. You will do something nice to thank them for helping you in your time of need.

VIRGO

24 AUGUST - 22 SEPTEMBER

You will find yourself making an acquaintance with someone who will be a bad influence this month. You will have to decide how you want their influence to affect your life.

LIBRA

23 SEPTEMBER - 22 OCTOBER

Getting exercise and forming a healthy lifestyle is a goal for you this month. You will try and eat more healthy foods and exercise more.

SCORPIO

23 OCTOBER - 22 NOVEMBER

Fun is what you will be having all month. You have been striving towards something lately and are finally in a good spot to relax and let loose.

SAGITTARIUS

23 NOVEMBER - 20 DECEMBER

Having a little extra spending money this month will result in you buying too many things you don't necessarily need. You will try to scavenge for money at the end of the month.

BY CRESIE THOMPSON
just for fun; not written by a trained astrologer

MARCH HOROSCOPES

Professional singer goes local at Wood River High School

BY LACIE NELSON

Attending local entertainment events is usually inexpensive, and often quite enjoyable. Though not all local performers are worth your time, many offer good entertainment at an affordable price. Just recently, to test this theory, I watched professional singer and actress Mary Carrick put on a performance at the Wood River High School Theatre.

The performance was completely free [but did have free-will donations for those who were interested] so the affordable part was covered. As for whether or not it was "quality entertainment," I was thoroughly impressed by Carrick's fabulous vocals,

dynamic acting, and all around captivating performance. Carrick chose to perform a number of songs--many of which were from bygone eras such as the 40's 50's and 60's--and in a number of genres. The one thing they all had in common? Love. Through a love-themed show, Carrick told countless stories of courtship and heartbreak with song, each one drawing the audience in a little more than the previous. But just as important as her performance was her singing, which was beautiful.

Carrick's gorgeous tone and vocal quality paired with her ability to modulate her voice for stylistic effect made for a sensational sound. Each one of these factors alone is good, but together they create a richer, fuller experience.

Now, don't get me wrong, Carrick isn't some random person with phenomenal talent who has yet to be discovered. Mary Carrick is an Omaha-based professional singer and actress. She performs



throughout the midwest in cabarets, musicals, operas, and concerts--not to mention that she also has an album that was released in 2014. So, of course she's going to be good. However, for being a local singer doing a free show in a high school theatre, she's much better than some would expect. In fact, I gave her a solid five stars out of five because I was pleased by everything from her song selection to her diction.

So the next time you're itching to get out but find yourself with little in the way of cash, try out something local. Many of the performers -- such as Mary Carrick -- offer low-cost, high-quality entertainment.



WHAT DO NORTHWEST STUDENTS THINK ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY?



SOPHOMORE HEIDI COOPER

I love chocolate and I love being reminded that I am loved by others.



JUNIOR DEANNA MONTANEZ-MENDOZA

It's a holiday meant to increase consumer consumption, there's nothing more romantic than capitalism!



JUNIOR PAYTON STEIN

I think that it can be a lot of fun if you are currently dating someone, but if not, it's kind of depressing.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

By BRENDEN HOLLING

KATEY LOMAN

Middle School: Westridge

Activities: Soccer, Indoor soccer, Brazilian Jujitsu and Tae Kwon Do.

Plans after high school:
Go into the Air Force.

Advice for underclassmen:
Do your homework,
because it really does matter.



JEFFREY SOKOL

Middle School: Westridge

Activities: Band, Wind Ensemble, Show Band, One Act, Musical, Speech

Plans after high school: Go to Hastings college, major in English and secondary education, and minor (or another major) in theater arts.

Advice for underclassmen: Do your homework and stay on top of your schedule.



GIOVANNA LOPEZ

Middle School: Westridge

Activities: Speech, Athletic Training, 14 KG, Bella Voce, Soccer, Humane Society, Yearbook.

Plans after high school: Go to college.

Advice for underclassmen: Think twice.



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